

CHEYENNE (September 11, 2015) - The Wyoming Department of Agriculture, Consumer Health Services section is amending the Wyoming Regulations for Swimming Pools, Spas & Similar Installations. The amendments are taking place to remain current with the latest scientific information on pool and spa safety.

The Department of Agriculture is revising Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 to the Wyoming Regulations for Swimming Pools, Spas & Similar Installations. The revisions in Chapter 1 lists all acronyms used in the regulation and are placed in one section and some common word definitions have been removed. Chapter 3 includes facilities that are not covered in the current regulations. Chapter 4 includes new requirements for suction outlets to prevent entrapment on the outlets and old wording for the outlets has been removed. Chapter 6 includes a new section on procedures to follow in the case of a fecal accident in a pool. All chapters reflect a nomenclature change for pools, spas & similar installations.

The 45 day public comment period will end October 31, 2015. A public hearing will be held if requested by 25 persons, a governmental subdivision or by an association having not less than 25 members. Written comments or request for a public hearing may be addressed to: Wyoming Department of Agriculture, 2219 Carey Ave, Cheyenne, WY 82002.

To obtain a copy of the proposed changes to Wyoming Food Safety Rule or a copy of a complete description of the changes, interested parties may contact Dean Finkenbinder, Manager of Consumer Health Services at dean.finkenbinder@wyo.gov. The proposed changes to the Wyoming Regulations for Swimming Pools, Spas & Similar Installations may be accessed on the Consumer Health Services website at <http://agriculture.wy.gov/divisions/chs/pools>.

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